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REMARKS

Favorable reconsideration and allowance of the present application are respectfully requested in view of the following remarks. Claims 1-6 remain pending. Claims 1, 5, and 6 are independent.

INTERVIEW CONDUCTED

Applicant appreciates that the Examiner and his Supervisor conducted an interview with Applicant's representative on July 22, 2004.

§ 102 REJECTION - HAYASHI

Claims 1-6 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as allegedly being anticipated by Fujita et al. (USPN 6,654,051, hereinafter "Fujita"). As agreed during the interview, Fujita cannot be relied upon to teach or suggest to teach or suggest all features of the claims. Therefore, the claims are allowable over Fujita.

Applicant respectfully requests that the rejection of claims 1-6 based on Fujita be withdrawn.

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CONCLUSION

All objections and rejections raised in the Office Action having been addressed, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is in condition for allowance. Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Hyung Sohn (Reg. No. 44,346), to conduct an interview in an effort to expedite prosecution in connection with the present application.

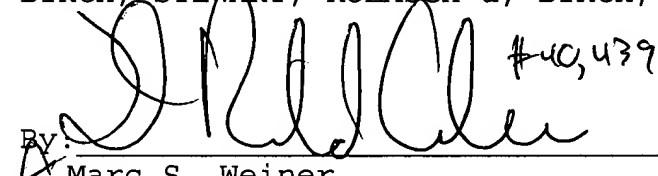
Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.17 and 1.136(a), Applicant respectfully petitions for a one (1) month extension of time for filing a reply in connection with the present application, and the required fee is attached hereto.

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If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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